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In re application of : Confirmation No. 8456

Ayaaki ISHIZAKI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004 1526A

Serial No. 10/508,784 : Group Art Unit 1651

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A METHOD FOR CONTINUOUS CULTURE Mail OF THE ANAEROBIC MICROORGANISMS

Mail Stop: AMENDMENT

## **RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 28, 2006, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975